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Two Reasons, Both Vital

VICE PRESIDENT NIXON gave the mayors of our cities, meeting in convention in New York, a cue to the future they would be wise to accept. It is the same cue President Eisenhower gave the governors at the meeting in Williamsburg last June.

Footnote to Amerasia

MORE THAN 12 YEARS AGO, FBI agents raided an obscure office in New York and gathered evidence which led to the notorious and never fully resolved "Amerasia" case.

As Maine Goes---

MAINE VOTERS, BY NEARLY TWO TO ONE, have decided to abandon their custom of electing state officials and members of Congress in September, rather than on the standard election day the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November.

All Too True

AMONG AMERICANS, there is a clique which dotes on the British humor magazine, Punch. There are others who do not think the magazine is as funny as reputed—possibly because they don't cotton to British-style humor.

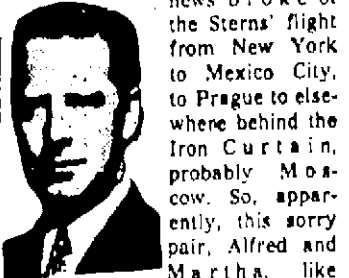
How To Sleep Less And Live Longer

By CHAPMAN PITCHER London Express Service LONDON. — Weary of waiting for scientists to provide a pill to lengthen my life span, I have taken action to grab myself some extra years in another way.

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Sorry Pair Had Nasty Red Links

By WESTBROOK PEGLER NEW YORK. — Some Chicago friends of Alfred Stern exploded into print with expressions of shock and disbelief when the news broke of the Sterns' flight from New York to Mexico City, to Prague to elsewhere behind the Iron Curtain.



Alfred and Martha Stern are notoriously bad actors. One exploit alone in New York soon after the war planted a red flag on his name in every worthwhile newspaper morgue in the country.

In that job, Stern financed and personally led a "march" on Albany with a housing emergency for his pretext and, with his henchmen, "occupied" the legislative chambers.

This was an ineffective but pointed demonstration of Communist contempt for the sovereignty of the state, which then justified the insult by letting Stern get away with it.

The female is the daughter of William Dodd, who served pre-war as Roosevelt's ambassador in Berlin. He did a fine job for Soviet Russia and strove constantly to get this country into the war on Russia's side.

When he came home he ran down a Negro girl four years old at Hanover Courthouse, Va., dragging her "38 steps" according to the cops who paced it off soon afterward.

Flynn caught the devil from Roosevelt's red cabal for exposing this grotesque error. But he had kapek where his stripes belonged so he pin-canned it and implied that he himself had been mistaken.

However, history heard him the first time and the story stands for posterity that Dodd got the embassy by a ridiculous fluke and never rested from his efforts to shed a torrent of American blood for Soviet Russia.

His daughter's devotion to the enemy has been demonstrated so often that her decision to take it on the lam comes tardily.

The Dodds had a son, Martha's brother, named William after his old man, who was red as a slit throat and a slacker in the war which he, Martha and their father had striven for.

Thereafter, the House Committee on un-American Activities and a special subcommittee on appropriations proved that he was a traitorous Red, and pushed through a law forbidding the payment of a certain appropriation to him as salary or otherwise.

The Supreme Court knocked this on the head. Soon after that he died.

J. B. Matthews, the original fellow traveler, was the chief investigator and examiner of the committee on un-American activities and nailed junior's pet to the little red edifice back behind the barn.

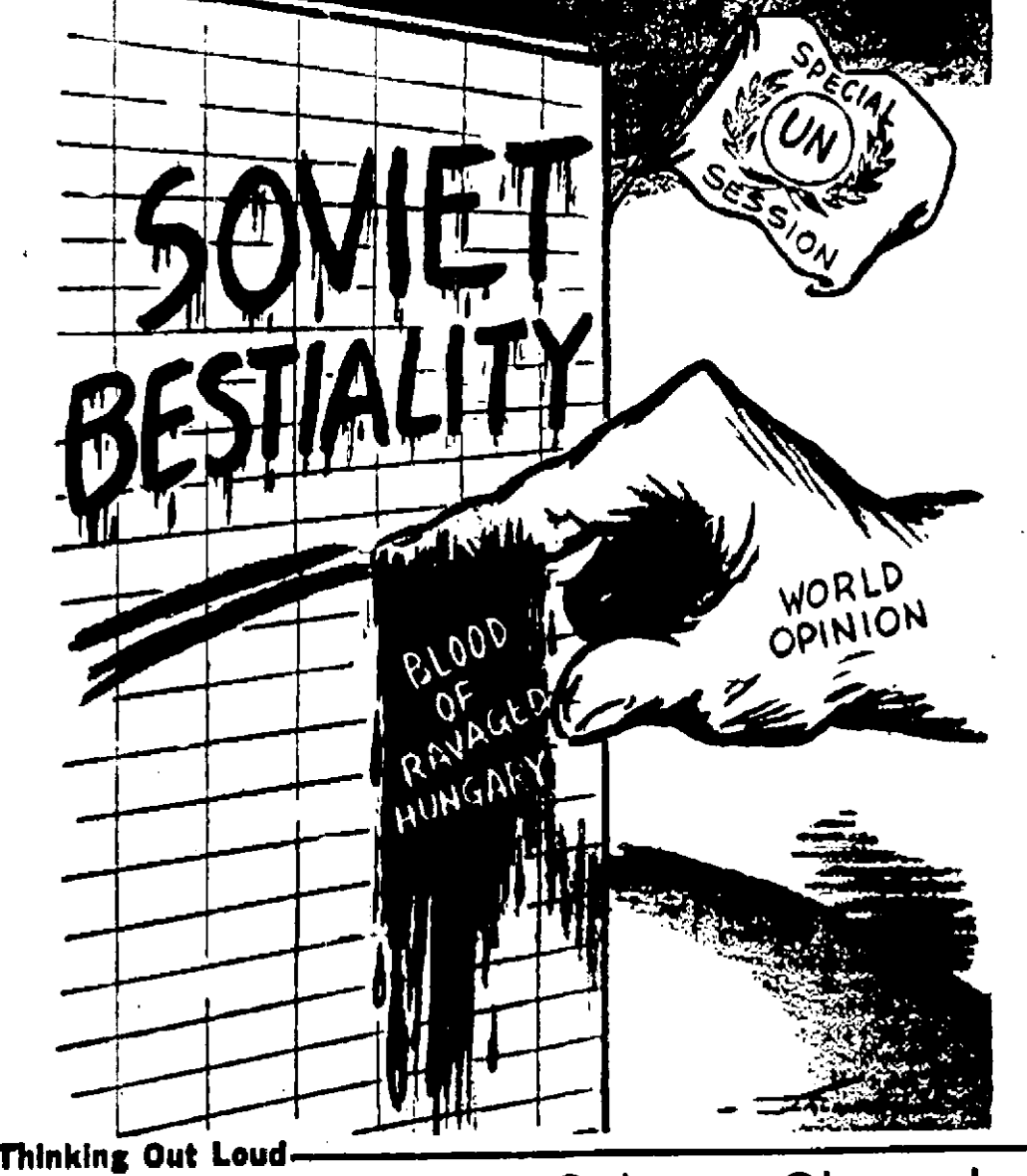
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The psychiatrists seem unanimous that insomnia is injurious only if you worry about it.

People who habitually sleep only five hours a night because they cannot get more rarely show any signs of physical or mental exhaustion. Some of the most industrious and creative people I know are chronic insomniacs.

Out of 500 distinguished Americans quizzed by a doctor nearly 100 sleep only six hours or less.

We Shall Not Forget!



Thinking Out Loud Fears Flood, Wants Culverts Cleaned

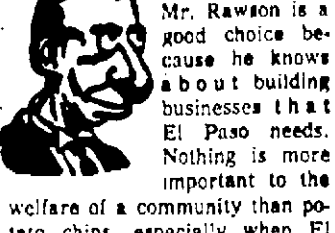
By Carl G. Schulz All those heavy rains we had in the Upper Valley filled these tunnels under the bridge by the White School, Highway 80 West, with rocks and sand, etc. There are only eight inches left to let the water through.

Can the Highway Department send some crew and clean out these tunnels and the arroyos? Friday, Aug. 30 we had here between White School and Crossroads another flood and if we have another heavy rain, everything will be flooded.

The City Engineering Department sent a bulldozer to clean out Upper Valley arroyos, Gerald Turner, City engineer, said cleaning out the culverts themselves

THE FENCE

By DR. B. U. L. CONNER GEORGE E. RAWSON, potato chip maker, heads the Chamber of Commerce manufacturers committee.



That was a chivalrous performance worthy of admiration, together with the attractive pictures that so distinctively adorned our Thinking Out Loud columns.

It Happened in Old El Paso

FIFTY YEARS AGO From The Herald of Sept. 11, 1907 Property owners of South El Paso will organize a Title Protective League which will have for its purpose the clearing of titles which are clouded by what is now known as Warden claims.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Redic are in El Paso from Indianapolis, and will probably locate here permanently.

Cigar stores, confectionery stores, peanut and popcorn stands, curio stores and every other class of business of such nature, including saloons, will be compelled to close on Sunday.

Tom Powers, president of the saloon men's organization, offers to wager \$500 that he will never close the Coney Island Saloon, prohibition or not in Texas, and wagers that prohibition will never be enforced in any city in Texas where there are over 10,000 people.

THE MARX BROTHERS are back again with another theaterload of laughs. You'll find them at the Plaza in "Horsefeathers," one of the funniest and nuttiest things the brothers have done.

The raging Conchos River has washed away the National Railway's Mexico bridge at Santa Rosalia, Chihuahua, J. G. Hernandez, representative of the railways, said. The bridge is one of the largest in Mexico.

Smelter District School budget probably will be cut from \$40,000 to \$32,000, County School Superintendent H. C. Hinton said. He said teachers' salaries will not be cut more than 10 per cent.

TEN YEARS AGO

From The Herald of Sept. 11, 1907 Mayor William Tracy of Asaracle served notice that the Lower Valley township intends to continue existence despite impending incorporation by El Paso.

C. A. Lundy, newly-chosen guardian of the Fred Tolley estate, petitioned County Judge Victor Gilbert to set aside orders calling for and approving sale of the Tolley residence at 3600 Nations avenue.

Chris P. Fox, Chamber of Commerce manager, has offered assistance to J. C. Capt. Director of the Census, Washington, in taking El Paso's census for 1950.

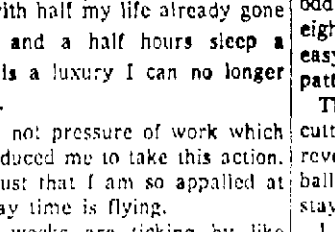
Mrs. Paul W. Price honored her daughter, Miss Ruth Price, and Miss Elizabeth Hill with a luncheon. Ruth will leave next week for Dallas where she will enter SMU, and Elizabeth is leaving Sept. 21 for Christian College in Columbia, Mo.

Believes Pattersons Are Dead, Too

Do you mean to ask on your "What do you think?" at close of your two article stories of the Patterson mystery?

Studied articles carefully. From experience of seeing reaction of people, we "think" the man who says he believes they are dead, is right. And "think" someone (or more) knows all about where they are and how they disappeared.

Side Glances

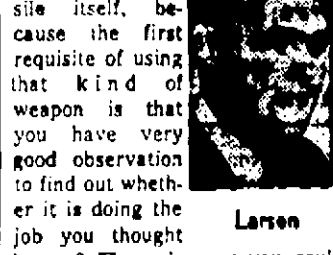


"I've worked out a great budget, dear—what can buy that coat for you and the shotgun I want by taking three meals a week with my folks!"

The Great Missile Hassle

Even Ike's Word Isn't Final in This Wrangle

Third of a series By DOUGLAS LARSEN WASHINGTON.—At his press conference of May 8, 1957, President Eisenhower made the following statement:



Why would a 1500-mile missile itself, because the first requisite of using that kind of weapon is that you have very good observation to find out whether it is doing the job you thought it was?

Coming from the Commander-in-Chief this would appear to be the final word in support of outgoing Defense Secretary Charles Wilson's order limiting the Army to the operation of missiles with ranges of not more than 200 miles.

The Army feels it has reason to be optimistic over its rapid progress toward an operational Jupiter IRBM. Until President Eisenhower's pro-Air Force statement, the Army felt it was making headway in its claim to be the service best qualified to use the IRBM.

And both Air Force and Army missilemen feel that if it is possible to fly a plane over the target for observation, then it's possible to use the same flight, or another, to deliver the bomb—and it would be unnecessary to send a missile to do the job.

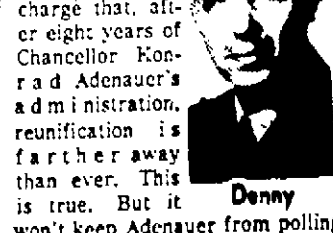
But in their view aircraft are obsolescent or obsolete, whether for observation of bombing, and they believe the missile will have to take over both jobs.

A "SPACE PLATFORM" would be the ideal observation post. Missile or space platform reconnaissance would be supplemented by intelligence agents and other G-2 methods. But the Army concedes it must make many improvements in battlefield reconnaissance and target acquisition.

The most profitable target for the IRBM will be the fixed target, such as a transportation center, a manufacturing complex or a fortified or strategically important city. It is doubtful an enemy would for long risk large concentrations of troops or supplies in the field.

German Reunification Farther Off Than Ever

By LUDEWILL DENNY Scripps-Howard Editor BORN. — The biggest issue in next Sunday's German election is phony. It is reunification of this nation, which Russia prevents by holding East Germany as a satellite.



The reason this supposedly sure-fire issue is a campaign flop is its sincerity. Even before the Soviet note last Sunday, voters knew that reunification was possible only on Russian terms. And very few are willing to pay that price.

These terms recently were repeated by Moscow and its satellite regime. They demand that 50,000,000 free West Germans accept confederation with 17,000,000 enslaved East Germans whose Red dictatorship would have equal power with the democratically elected Bonn government.

Nevertheless, opposition parties argue that those are only Russia's bargaining terms. They say these terms could be modified acceptably by a Bonn government willing to negotiate with Moscow in good faith — which the rigidly

IRBM firings, whether at fixed or mobile targets, would be plotted from maps, as artillery fire is directed. With the area devastation of nuclear warheads, there would be less need for pin-point accuracy.

TELEMETRIC INSTRUMENTS, transmitting information from the missile in flight back to the launching site, would indicate the rocket was on course and reduce the need for post-strike observation.

One nuclear-armed missile fired on course would equal one target scratched from the list. The Army points to its unique experience in missile support activities. Army Engineers have been busy for years mapping much of the free world. How much mapping of the Soviet Union has been done by either the Army or Air Force is a matter of conjecture for the public.

Army Engineers would also build the ports, airfields, roads, bridges and rail lines to support employment of the IRBM; and provide liquid oxygen to help power the missile.

The Signal Corps would supply wire, radio and television communications, and fire direction systems. The Quartermaster Corps would furnish liquid fuel for the missile, and protective clothing for the missilemen.

AND THE ARMY would have the main job in taking or holding ground from which the IRBM would be launched—or so goes the Army argument.

One side-issue to the Army-Air Force missile controversy has received little attention so far—but it may give the new Defense Secretary the most trouble of all. It revolves around the methods the two services use in developing and building missiles.

The Air Force relies on private industry—the large aircraft companies. The Army uses a combination of private industry and its own Ordnance Arsenal which for many years have developed most Army weapons and equipment.

Air Force spokesmen say that research and development of missiles flourish best in the free-competitive atmosphere of private industry.

The Army feels that missiles use almost all the skills and experience accumulated in its arsenal in ballistics, metallurgy, precision work, propellants, warheads, electronics, fuses, hydraulics and fire control, among many other fields of science and technology.

Tomorrow: Can missiles kill bombers?

pro-Alled Adenauer is not. Hence the partisan effort to make Adenauer the scapegoat for the people's frustration and humiliation resulting from national dismemberment.

But this campaign strategy fails because: 1. Adenauer has negotiated in fact with Moscow for two years. Even on such relatively simple matters as return of Germans held in Russia, Moscow has broken its pledge.

2. Opposition parties are unable to explain to voters precisely what they would do to speed reunification. Indeed the socialists — the largest opposition party — discovered that their original proposal for withdrawing from Nato as demanded by Russia was so unpopular now straddle this issue.

3. West German voters are not really much interested in reunification despite the lip service they give to this patriotic demand. This does not jibe with the fierce Teutonic tradition or even with normal national pride.

Nevertheless, it is a fact that most West Germans today, including many of the 11,000,000 refugees from the East, do not care enough to make personal sacrifices for reunification. Many actually prefer the present division.